

Circle Coordinate Geometry 2

1.

a The radius of the circle is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(4 - 1)^2 + (6 - (-2))^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 8^2} = \sqrt{9 + 64} = \sqrt{73}$$

The equation of the circle is

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y - 6)^2 = (\sqrt{73})^2$$

$$\text{or } (x - 4)^2 + (y - 6)^2 = 73$$

b The gradient of the line joining $(1, -2)$ and $(4, 6)$ is

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{6 - (-2)}{4 - 1} = \frac{6 + 2}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$$

The gradient of the tangent is $\frac{-1}{\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)} = -\frac{3}{8}$

The equation of the tangent to the circle at $(1, -2)$ is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-2) = -\frac{3}{8}(x - 1)$$

$$y + 2 = -\frac{3}{8}(x - 1)$$

$$8y + 16 = -3(x - 1)$$

$$8y + 16 = -3x + 3$$

$$3x + 8y + 16 = 3$$

$$3x + 8y + 13 = 0$$

2.

a Substitute $x = -7$ and $y = -6$ into $x^2 + 18x + y^2 - 2y + 29$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 18x + y^2 - 2y + 29 &= (-7)^2 + 18(-7) + (-6)^2 - 2(-6) + 29 \\ &= 49 - 126 + 36 + 12 + 29 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The point P satisfies the equation, so P lies on C .

b Completing the square gives

$$(x + 9)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 53$$

The centre of the circle, A , is $(-9, 1)$.

The gradient of $CP = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{-6 - 1}{-7 - (-9)} = \frac{-7}{2}$

Gradient of the tangent is $\frac{2}{7}$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-6) = \frac{2}{7}(x - (-7))$$

$$y = \frac{2}{7}x - 4$$

c The tangent intersects the y -axis at $x = 0$

$$y = \frac{2}{7}(0) - 4 = -4$$

$R(0, -4)$

d Height of triangle = radius of circle = $\sqrt{53}$

Base of triangle = distance PR

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(-7 - 0)^2 + (-6 - (-4))^2} = \sqrt{53}$$

$$\text{Area } APR = \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{53} \times \sqrt{53} = 26.5 \text{ units}^2$$

- a** The centre of the circle $(x+4)^2 + (y-1)^2 = 242$ is $(-4, 1)$.

The gradient of the line joining $(-4, 1)$ and $(7, -10)$ is

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{-10 - 1}{7 - (-4)} = \frac{-11}{7 + 4} = -\frac{11}{11} = -1$$

The gradient of the tangent is $\frac{-1}{(-1)} = 1$.

The equation of the tangent is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-10) = 1(x - 7)$$

$$y + 10 = x - 7$$

$$y = x - 17$$

Substitute $x = 0$ into $y = x - 17$

$$y = 0 - 17$$

$$y = -17$$

So the coordinates of S are $(0, -17)$

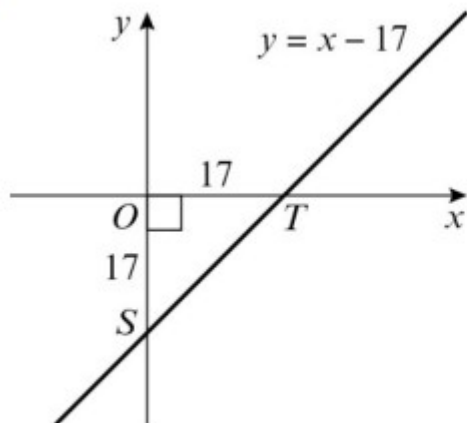
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$$0 = x - 17$$

$$x = 17$$

So the coordinates of T are $(17, 0)$.

b



The area of $\triangle OST$ is $\frac{1}{2} \times 17 \times 17 = 144.5$

- a** The centre of the circle, Q , is $(11, -5)$

To find the radius of the circle:

$$\begin{aligned} PQ &= \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(5 - 11)^2 + (3 - (-5))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-6)^2 + 8^2} \\ &= 10 \\ (x - 11)^2 + (y + 5)^2 &= 100 \end{aligned}$$

- b** The gradient of $PQ = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - (-5)}{5 - 11} = \frac{4}{-3}$

Gradient of the tangent is $\frac{3}{4}$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 5)$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{3}{4}$$

- c** Midpoint of $PQ = \left(\frac{11+5}{2}, \frac{-5+3}{2} \right) = (8, -1)$

Gradient of l_2 is $\frac{3}{4}$ as the line is parallel to l_1 .

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-1) = \frac{3}{4}(x - 8)$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - 7$$

- c** Solve $y = \frac{3}{4}x - 7$ and $(x - 11)^2 + (y + 5)^2 = 100$ simultaneously

$$(x - 11)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{4}x - 2 \right)^2 = 100$$

$$x^2 - 22x + 121 + \frac{9}{16}x^2 - 3x + 4 - 100 = 0$$

$$25x^2 - 400x + 400 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 16x + 16 = 0$$

$$\text{Using the formula, } x = \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{192}}{2} = 8 \pm 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{When } x = 8 + 4\sqrt{3}, y = \frac{3}{4}(8 + 4\sqrt{3}) - 7 = -1 + 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{When } x = 8 - 4\sqrt{3}, y = \frac{3}{4}(8 - 4\sqrt{3}) - 7 = -1 - 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$A(8 - 4\sqrt{3}, -1 - 3\sqrt{3}) \text{ and } B(8 + 4\sqrt{3}, -1 + 3\sqrt{3})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{d } AB &= \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{(8 + 4\sqrt{3} - (8 - 4\sqrt{3}))^2 + (-1 + 3\sqrt{3} - (-1 - 3\sqrt{3}))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{(8\sqrt{3})^2 + (6\sqrt{3})^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{192 + 108} \\
 &= \sqrt{300} \\
 &= 10\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

5.

a $A(-1, -9)$ and $B(7, -5)$

$$\text{Midpoint} = \left(\frac{-1+7}{2}, \frac{-9+(-5)}{2} \right) = (3, -7)$$

$$\text{The gradient of the line segment } AB = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{-5 - (-9)}{7 - (-1)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

So the gradient of a line perpendicular to AB is -2 .

The equation of the perpendicular line is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$m = -2 \text{ and } (x_1, y_1) = (3, -7)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } y - (-7) &= -2(x - 3) \\
 y &= -2x - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

b Centre of the circle is $(1, -3)$

Substitute $x = 1$ into the equation $y = -2x - 1$

$$y = -2(1) - 1 = -3$$

Therefore, the perpendicular bisector of AB , $y = -2x - 1$, passes through the centre of the circle $(1, -3)$

6.

$$(x + 5)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 80$$

Gradient of tangent = 2, so $y = 2x + c$

Diameter of the circle that touches l_1 and l_2 has gradient $-\frac{1}{2}$ and passes through the centre of the circle $(-5, -3)$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + d$$

$$-3 = -\frac{1}{2}(-5) + d$$

$$d = -\frac{11}{2}$$

$y = -\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{11}{2}$ is the equation of the diameter that touches l_1 and l_2 .

Solve the equation of the diameter and circle simultaneously:

$$(x + 5)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = 80$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 25 + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{25}{4} - 80 = 0$$

$$4x^2 + 40x + 100 + x^2 + 10x + 25 - 320 = 0$$

$$5x^2 + 50x - 195 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 10x - 39 = 0$$

$$(x + 13)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$x = -13 \text{ or } x = 3$$

$$\text{When } x = -13, y = -\frac{1}{2}(-13) - \frac{11}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{When } x = 3, y = -\frac{1}{2}(3) - \frac{11}{2} = -7$$

$(-13, 1)$ and $(3, -7)$ are the coordinates where the diameter touches lines l_1 and l_2 .

Substitute these coordinates into the equation $y = 2x + c$

$$\text{When } x = -13, y = 1, 1 = 2(-13) + c, c = 27, y = 2x + 27$$

$$\text{When } x = 3, y = -7, -7 = 2(3) + c, c = -13, y = 2x - 13$$

$$l_1: y = 2x + 27$$

$$l_2: y = 2x - 13$$

a $x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 6y = 7$
 $(x - 2)^2 - 4 + (y - 3)^2 - 9 = 7$
 $(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 20$
 Substitute $x = 3y - 17$ into $(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 20$
 $(3y - 19)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 20$
 $9y^2 - 114y + 361 + y^2 - 6y + 9 - 20 = 0$
 $10y^2 - 120y + 350 = 0$
 $y^2 - 12y + 35 = 0$
 $(y - 7)(y - 5) = 0$
 $y = 7$ or 5
 when $y = 7$, $x = 3(7) - 17 = 4$
 when $y = 5$, $x = 3(5) - 17 = -2$
 $P(-2, 5)$ and $Q(4, 7)$

b Centre of circle $T = (2, 3)$ and $P(-2, 5)$
 Gradient of $PT = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{5 - 3}{-2 - 2} = -\frac{1}{2}$
 Gradient of the tangent is 2
 $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 $y - 5 = 2(x + 2)$
 $y = 2x + 9$

Gradient of $QT = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{7 - 3}{4 - 2} = 2$

Gradient of the tangent is $-\frac{1}{2}$

$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 $y - 7 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 4)$
 $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 9$

c Gradient $PQ = \frac{7 - 5}{4 - (-2)} = \frac{1}{3}$

Midpoint of $PQ = \left(\frac{-2 + 4}{2}, \frac{5 + 7}{2} \right) = (1, 6)$

Gradient of the perpendicular bisector is -3

$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
 $y - 6 = -3(x - 1)$
 $y = -3x + 9$

d $y = 2x + 9$, $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 9$ and $y = -3x + 9$

Solve $y = 2x + 9$ and $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 9$ simultaneously

$$2x + 9 = -\frac{1}{2}x + 9$$

$$4x + 18 = -x + 18$$

$$x = 0, y = 9$$

$$(0, 9)$$

Solve $y = 2x + 9$ and $y = -3x + 9$ simultaneously

$$2x + 9 = -3x + 9$$

$$x = 0, y = 9$$

$$(0, 9)$$

Therefore all three lines intersect at $(0, 9)$

8.

a $U(-2, 8)$, $V(7, 7)$ and $W(-3, -1)$

$$UV^2 = (x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2$$

$$= (7 + 2)^2 + (7 - 8)^2$$

$$= 82$$

$$VW^2 = (-3 - 7)^2 + (-1 - 7)^2$$

$$= 164$$

$$UW^2 = (-3 + 2)^2 + (-1 - 8)^2$$

$$= 82$$

Use Pythagoras' theorem to show $UV^2 + UW^2 = VW^2$

$$82 + 82 = 164 = VW^2$$

Therefore, UVW is a right-angled triangle.

b UVW is a right-angled triangle, therefore VW is the diameter of the circle.

Centre of circle = Midpoint of VW

$$\text{Midpoint} = \left(\frac{7 + (-3)}{2}, \frac{7 + (-1)}{2} \right) = (2, 3)$$

c Radius of the circle is $\frac{1}{2}$ of $VW = \frac{\sqrt{164}}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{164}{4}} = \sqrt{41}$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 41$$

9.

a i $A(-3, 19)$ and $B(9, 11)$

$$\text{Midpoint} = \left(\frac{-3+9}{2}, \frac{19+11}{2} \right) = (3, 15)$$

$$\text{The gradient of the line segment } AB = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{11-19}{9-(-3)} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

So the gradient of the line perpendicular to AB is $\frac{3}{2}$.

The equation of the perpendicular line is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$m = \frac{3}{2} \text{ and } (x_1, y_1) = (3, 15)$$

$$\text{So } y - 15 = \frac{3}{2}(x - 3)$$

$$y = \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{21}{2}$$

ii $A(-3, 19)$ and $C(-15, 1)$

$$\text{Midpoint} = \left(\frac{-3-15}{2}, \frac{19+1}{2} \right) = (-9, 10)$$

$$\text{The gradient of the line segment } AC = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{1-19}{-15+3} = \frac{3}{2}$$

So the gradient of the line perpendicular to AC is $-\frac{2}{3}$.

The equation of the perpendicular line is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$m = -\frac{2}{3} \text{ and } (x_1, y_1) = (-9, 10)$$

$$\text{So } y - 10 = -\frac{2}{3}(x + 9)$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 4$$

b Solve $y = \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{21}{2}$ and $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 4$ simultaneously

$$\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{21}{2} = -\frac{2}{3}x + 4$$

$$9x + 63 = -4x + 24$$

$$13x = -39$$

$$x = -3, y = -\frac{2}{3}(-3) + 4 = 6$$

So, the coordinates of the centre of the circle are $(-3, 6)$

c Radius = distance from $(-3, 6)$ to $(9, 11)$

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(9+3)^2 + (11-6)^2} = \sqrt{12^2 + 5^2} = 13$$

$$(x+3)^2 + (y-6)^2 = 169$$

10.

a $A(-1, 9), B(6, 10), C(7, 3), D(0, 2)$

The length of AB is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(6 - (-1))^2 + (10 - 9)^2} = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{49 + 1} = \sqrt{50}$$

The length of BC is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(7 - 6)^2 + (3 - 10)^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + (-7)^2} = \sqrt{1 + 49} = \sqrt{50}$$

The length of CD is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(0 - 7)^2 + (2 - 3)^2} = \sqrt{(-7)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{49 + 1} = \sqrt{50}$$

The length of DA is

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(-1 - 0)^2 + (9 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{1 + 49} = \sqrt{50}$$

The sides of the quadrilateral are equal.

The gradient of AB is

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{10 - 9}{6 - (-1)} = \frac{1}{7}$$

a The gradient of BC is

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{3 - 10}{7 - 6} = \frac{-7}{1} = -7$$

$$\text{The product of the gradients} = \left(\frac{1}{7} \times -7\right) = -1.$$

So the line AB is perpendicular to BC .

So the quadrilateral $ABCD$ is a square.

b The area $= \sqrt{50} \times \sqrt{50} = 50$

c The mid-point of AC is

$$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{-1 + 7}{2}, \frac{9 + 3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{6}{2}, \frac{12}{2}\right) = (3, 6)$$

So the centre of the circle is $(3, 6)$.